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In re Application of

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Docket No.: 19943518

For: COMMINUTING MACHINE

**DECISION** 

ON PETITION UNDER

37 CFR 1.181

This decision is in response to applicant's "Letter" filed on 28 October 2005. It has been treated as a petition under 37 CFR 1.181.

Applicant claims to be entitled to a 35 U.S.C. §371(c)(1), (c)(2) and (c)(4) date of 24 June 2002, rather than the 10 November 2004 date granted in the 03 October 2005 petition decision.

Applicant claims to have submitted a petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), accompanied by the required fee authorizations, by facsimile on 24 June 2002. The petition included a certificate of facsimile transmission under 37 CFR 1.8. That submission is not of record.

Under 37 CFR 1.8, an item is only considered timely on its transmission or mailing date. For all other purposes, the actual date of receipt is used. As such, when a response is transmitted under 37 CFR 1.8(b), but is not received after a reasonable period of time, the Office will accept a copy under certain conditions. However, the copy's date of receipt is used for all purposes other than timeliness.

Further, applicant is not entitled to benefit under 37 CFR 1.8, as the application was abandoned and as such, applicant was not responding "within a set period of time."

For the above reasons, applicant's petition under 37 CFR 1.181 is **DISMISSED** without prejudice.

Any further correspondence with respect to this matter should be addressed to the Mail Stop PCT, Commissioner for Patents, Office of PCT Legal Administration, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450, with the contents of the letter marked to the attention of the Office of PCT Legal Administration.

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